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FINAL RECEIVER'S RECEIPT, No. 5228 APPLICATION, No. 9690

HOMESTEAD.

Receiver's Office, Crookston, Minn.

Dec. 7, 1888

Received of Christian Guhl the sum of Four dollars —— cents, being the balance of payment required by law for the entry of South^r South East^x and 14 and West^r South West^x

of Section 13 in Township 147 N of Range 40 W containing 160.00 acres, under Section 2291 of the Revised Statutes of the United States.

$4.00

[signature]
Receiver

(13044—25 M.) 6—224

Testimony written by Claimant's Att'y, and no fees charged or collected.

HOMESTEAD.

Land Office at Crookston, Minn.

Dec 7, 1888.

FINAL CERTIFICATE, No. 1228

APPLICATION, No. 9690

It is hereby certified That, pursuant to the provisions of Section No. 2291, Revised Statutes of the United States, Christian Guhl has made payment in full for South ½ South East ¼ sec 14 and West ½ South West ¼

of Section No. 13, in Township No. 147 N, of Range No. 40 W, of the 5th Principal Meridian, containing 160 100 acres.

Now, therefore, be it known, That on presentation of this Certificate to the COMMISSIONER OF THE GENERAL LAND OFFICE, the said Christian Guhl shall be entitled to a Patent for the Tract of Land above described.

H H Dickman

Register.

(3840—12 M.)

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Final Certificate No. 1228

Homestead Application No. 9690

LAND OFFICE

AT

Dec 7, 1888.

Sect. 13, Town. 147, Range 40

To R. R. Nov. 17. 1890
L. D. P.

Approved Dec. 24, 1890,

L. D. P., Clerk,

Division C.

Patented Jan 31, 1891,

Recorded, Vol. 12, page 438

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Receiver's Duplicate Receipt No. 9690 Application No. 9690

HOMESTEAD.

Receiver's Office, Cookston Minn

Sept 21st, 1883

RECEIVED of Christian Guhl the sum of Fourteen dollars —— cents; being the amount of fee and compensation of Register and Receiver for the entry of Lot 6 14 Sec 14 and W 1/2 Sec 14 of Section 13 in Township 147 N of Range 40 W, under Section 2290, Revised Statutes of the United States.

[signature]

Receiver.

$14.00

NOTE.—It is required of the homestead settler that he shall reside upon and cultivate the land embraced in his homestead entry for a period of five years from the time of filing the affidavit, being also the date of entry. An abandonment of the land for more than six months works a forfeiture of the claim Further, within two years from the expiration of the said five years he must file proof of his actual settlement and cultivation, failing to do which, his entry will be canceled. If the settler does not wish to remain five years on his tract, he can, at any time after six months, pay for it with cash or land warrants, upon making proof of settlement and cultivation from date of filing affidavit to the time of payment.

[10,264—100 M.]

5228.

AFFIDAVIT OF LEGAL PUBLICATION.

STATE OF MINNESOTA, } ss.
County of Polk. }

A Kaiser

Being duly sworn, deposes and says, that during all the time hereinafter mentioned he was publisher of the THIRTEEN TOWNS, a weekly newspaper printed and published at Fosston, in said County, and knows of his own personal knowledge that the Notice of Final Proof a printed copy of which is hereto annexed, is a true copy of the published notice; that the same was correctly printed and published in the regu'ar and entire issue of every number of said newspaper once a week for six successive weeks, during the period hereinafter mentioned, the first publication being made on the 26th day of October 188 8 and the last publication being made on the 30th day of November 188 8

Land Office at Crookston, Minn., Oct. 10, '88.
Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim and that said proof will be made before the U. S. Land Office at Crookston, Minn., on Dec. 7th 1888, viz:
Christian Guhl, Hd E 9,690, for the S ½ S e ¼ sec 14, W ½ S w ¼ sec 13, Tp 147, R 40
He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of, said land, viz:
Iver Brun, Paul Larson, E H Noel, J. W Galloway, all of Fosston, Polk Co., Minn.
H H DICKMANN, Register.

A Kaiser

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 1st day of December 188 8

W H Arnold

Notary Public, Polk Co., Minn.

Publication fee $.....

Paid by .....

Christian Gicke

CERTIFICATE

As to the Posting of Notice

Land Office at Crookston, Minn.,

Dec 7 1888

I. H H Dickmann

Register, do hereby certify that a notice, a printed copy of which is hereto attached, was by me posted in a conspicuous place in my office for a period of thirty days, I having first posted this notice on the 10 *day of* Oct 1888

H H Dickmann

Register.

(4—070.)

HOMESTEAD PROOF.

Final Affidavit Required of Homestead Claimants.

SECTION 2291 OF THE REVISED STATUTES OF THE UNITED STATES.

I, Christian Suhl, having made a Homestead entry of the S½ SE¼ & Lot 4 & Sec 14, and W½ SW¼ Section No. 13 in Township No. 147 of Range No. 40, subject to entry at Crookston Minn. under section No. 2289 of the Revised Statutes of the United States, do now apply to perfect my claim thereto by virtue of section No. 2291 of the Revised Statutes of the United States; and for that purpose do solemnly swear that I am a citizen of the United States; that I have made actual settlement upon and have cultivated said land, having resided thereon since the 11th day of March, 1884 to the present time; that no part of said land has been alienated, except as provided in section 2288 of the Revised Statutes, but that I am the sole *bona fide* owner as an actual settler; that I will bear true allegiance to the Government of the United States; and further, that I have not heretofore perfected or abandoned an entry made under the homestead laws of the United States.

Christian Suhl

I, H H Dickinson Register, of the Land Office at Crookston Minn, do hereby certify that the above affidavit was subscribed and sworn to before me this 7th day of Dec, 1888.

H H Dickinson
Register

(11570—8 M.) 6—353

Final Homestead Affidavit.

UNDER SECTION 2291, R. S.

Application No. 9690

Final Certificate No. 3228

Land Office at Crookston, Minn.

Dec 7 1888

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HOMESTEAD, PRE-EMPTION, AND COMMUTATION PROOF.

TESTIMONY OF CLAIMANT.

Full and Specific Answers must be given to each Question. Evasive Answers will be Fatal to the Proof.

Christian Guhl, claimant, being first duly sworn, testifies as follows:

Question 1.—What is your correct name, your age, and occupation? If employed by any person, state by whom.

Ans. Christian Guhl — age 32 years — Farmer

Ques. 2.—What is your post-office address?

Ans. Croston, Polk Co. Minn.

Ques. 3.—Are you the identical person who made pre-emption filing No. ____ (or homestead entry No. 9690) at the Crookston Minn. land office on the 21st day of Sept, 1883, and what is the true description of the land now claimed by you?

Ans. The South one half (S. 1/2) of South East quarter (S.E. 1/4) of Sec. 14 and the West one half (W 1/2) of the South West quarter (S W 1/4) of Sec. 13 of Township No. 147 of Range 47, 40

Ques. 4.—Where did you live before settling upon this land, and what was your occupation?

Ans. Adair Co. Iowa — Farmer.

Ques. 5.—Are you a citizen of the United States, or have you declared your intention to become such?

Ans. Yes.

(In case the party is of foreign birth, a copy of his declaration of intention to become a citizen or full naturalization certificate, officially certified, must be filed with the case. The latter is only required in final homestead entries.)

Ques. 6.—Are you interested in any other entry or filing than the one upon which you now seek to make proof?

Ans. No.

Ques. 7.—Have you ever made a pre-emption filing for any other tract of land, or made any other homestead entry or filing or entry of any kind? (Answer each question separately, describe the land, and state what disposition you made of your claim.)

Ans. No

Ques. 8.—Is your present claim within the limits of an incorporated town or selected site of a city or town, or used in any way for trade and business?

Ans. No.

Ques. 9.—What is the character of the land? Is it timber, mountainous, prairie, grazing, or ordinary agricultural land? State its kind and quality, and for what purpose it is most valuable.

Ans. Agricultural land, it has some brush, and poplar thickets, also a little oak.

Ques. 10.—Is the land valuable for coal, iron, stone, or minerals of any kind? Has any coal or other minerals been discovered thereon, or is any coal or mineral known to be contained therein? Are there any indications of coal, salines, or minerals of any kind on the land? If so, describe what they are.

Ans. No.

Ques. 11.—If the land is timber land, state the kind, quality, and amount of timber thereon at date of initiating your claim, the amount still standing, how much has been cut and removed, and by whom, and whether the same has been disposed of, and to whom; also whether any other person than yourself has any interest in the timber, and if so, what kind of interest.

Ans. There is about 6 acres of timber, one half of which is oak and one half poplar. No timber has been cut or sold and no other person has any interest therein.

Ques. 12.—If the land is used for grazing purposes, state how and by whom it is so used, and whether it is within any stock range or fence or other inclosure, and who owns or controls the range or inclosure.

Ans. I have 30 acres fenced for pasture for my own use.

Ques. 13.—When did you first make an actual personal settlement on this land? State what you did to make such settlement, and the character and value of the improvements you then placed upon the land.

Ans. about the middle of Sept. 1883. I built a house of hewed logs, with sod roof 24 by 18 ft. value $100.00

Ques. 14.—Was the land occupied by any other person when you made such settlement? If so, state who lived there, and how you obtained possession.

Ans. No.

Ques. 15.—When did you actually move on this land and commence living permanently thereon?

Ans. the Eleventh day of March 1884.

Ques. 16.—Where has been your actual personal residence and home during the whole time since the date of this filing or entry?

Ans. I have lived on the land continuously since the 11th of March 1884.

Ques. 17.—Has your residence on the land now claimed been actual or constructive, continuous or at intervals? Explain what you mean by actual continuous residence.

Ans. I have lived on the claim with my family continuously.

Ques. 18.—Have you resided or boarded elsewhere than on this land since commencing your residence thereon? If so, state when and where, how often, and for how long?

Ans. No.

Ques. 19.—Where have you voted since establishing residence on this land, and where did you last vote, and how long have you voted there?

Ans. I have voted in the town where my claim is situated every year since 1883.

Ques. 20.—How many times have you been absent from said tract since you commenced actual residence thereon? Give the dates when each absence commenced and terminated, and the cause therefor.

Ans. I have never been absent.

Ques. 21.—Have you a family, and of whom does your family consist?

Ans. I have a wife and three children.

Ques. 22.—Has your family resided with you on this claim? If so, state when they moved on the land, how long they have lived there, and whether they actually reside there still.

Ans. Yes, they moved on the land on the 11th of March 1883, have lived there ever since.

Ques. 23.—If your family has been absent any part of the time since moving on the land, state the causes for and the dates when each absence commenced and terminated.

Ans. They have not been absent at any time.

Ques. 24.—When and by whom was your house built? Is it habitable at all seasons of the year?

Ans. By myself in 1883 — Yes

Ques. 25.—Did you and your family live in said house during all of each or any winter since the date of your filing or entry? If not, state the duration and causes of each absence.

Ans. Yes—

Ques. 26.—If your family has not lived with you on this claim since the date of your filing or entry, state the causes therefor, where they did reside, and where they are now living.

Ans. They have lived with me continuously.

Ques. 27.—Do you own any other *residence house* than the one now on your claim? If so, state where, and who occupies the same.

Ans. No.

Ques. 28.—Describe fully the house on this claim, giving value thereof; also describe fully all other improvements thereon of whatever kind, giving the value of each and total value of all improvements.

Ans. It is a hewed log house, with sod roof, size 18x24 ft. Value about $100.00. I have also a log stable 14x25 feet worth about $50.00. A well worth about $15.00 I have fenced 30 acres for pasture, the fence being worth $50.00 - I have six acres broke - the breaking and grubbing being worth $90.00 I have made ditches worth $25.00 The total value of improvements is about $325.00

Ques. 29.—What farm implements do you own and use on this claim? State kind and number, and how long you have owned the same.

Ans. One wagon used 4 years, One Mower used 2 years, One plough used 4 years, 1 Harrow used 4 years,

Ques. 30.—What domestic animals and live stock do you own and keep on this claim? State kind and number of each kind.

Ans. 3 work horses, 4 colts, 2 hogs.

Ques. 31.—State what articles of furniture of every kind you keep and use in your residence on this claim, and how long you have had them there.

Ans. One table, one cupboard, ½ doz chairs, 2 bedsteads 1 cook stove, and utensils 1 Heating stove, 1 sewing machine. 1 Clock, all of which I have had since I came there.

Ques. 32.—Have you any personal property or live stock of any kind elsewhere than on this claim? If so, describe the same, and state where the same is kept.

Ans. No.

Ques. 33.—How many seasons have you raised crops on this land, and what kind of crops have you raised each season?

Ans. Four seasons, and have raised Corn, potatoes, oats and other garden stuff—

Ques. 34.—How many acres have you put in crops each year, and how much did you raise? State the amount in bushels of each kind.

Ans. In 1884 I cultivated one acre on which I had 16 bu. potatoes and 10 bu Corn, 1885—cultivated 4 acres—100 bu potatoes 25 bu. corn, 1886—4 acres—350 bu potatoes 1887—4 acres — and in 1888 5 acres 160 bu potatoes, 50 bu oats; also other garden stuff each season.

Ques. 35.—Have you the land in crop this year, or is it prepared for cropping the coming season? How much of the land is so cropped or prepared?

Ans. It is partly prepared for crop the coming season.

Ques. 36.—Do you carry on any trade, profession, or business elsewhere than on this land? If so, state what business you have been engaged in while claiming this land, where it was carried on, and the distance from your claim.

Ans. No.

Ques. 37.—If you have been employed in working for others away from this claim since you established residence thereon, state when, where, and for whom, in what occupation or capacity, how long you have so worked, and where you staid and lived during that time.

Ans. I worked for Charley Cahoon 6 weeks in the fall of 1884, mak Crookston, threshing— I staid with him during said time. —but my family lived on the land.

Ques. 38.—Where are you assessed for taxes, personal, real estate, or license, and when and where have you paid taxes since claiming this land?

Ans. I am assessed in the town I live, and pay taxes to the Treasurer of Polk Co. Minn.

Ques. 39.—Are the improvements on this land assessed for taxes; if so, at what valuation? Have such taxes been paid; if so, when and by whom?

Ans. My last assessment was about $170.00 I have paid the taxes.

Ques. 40.—What use is made of this land, and who, besides yourself and family, uses it or causes it to be used?

Ans. It is used by me as a farm.

Ques. 41.—Have you sold, transferred, or mortgaged this land, or offered or agreed to sell or dispose of it, and at what price?

Ans. No

Ques. 42.—Do you make this entry in the interest or for the benefit of any one else, or has any person other than yourself and family any interest, immediate or prospective, in this entry? If so, state for whom the entry is made.

Ans. I make it solely for myself and family

Ques. 43.—Has any person paid your expenses for making this entry, or paid you wages or a salary on condition that you make said entry, or agreed to do either, or agreed to pay the entry money for you, or to pay the fees or commissions, with the agreement or understanding that you will deed the land after entry is made?

Ans. No

Ques. 44.—Do you make this entry in good faith, for the exclusive purpose of a home and farm for yourself and family?

Ans. Yes.

[Signature of claimant.] Christian Guhl

I HEREBY CERTIFY that each question in the foregoing deposition was orally propounded to the said Christian Guhl, and the foregoing answers severally given by him thereto before he signed the same and after being sworn according to law; that the said Christian Guhl is ~~to me personally known~~ (or satisfactorily identified by O C Christianson) as the person he represents himself to be in making this proof; that I have called his attention to the laws and penalties against false swearing, and that the foregoing deposition was sworn to and subscribed before me this 7 day of December, A. D. 1888

H H Dickmann

Register

Answer to Ques 3 amended so as to embrace correct land and claimant resworn before me this 4th day of December 1890

H H Dickmann

Register

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TESTIMONY OF CLAIMANT.

Pre. D. S. No. ..... Cash No. .....

Orig. Hd. No. 9690 F. C. No. 1228

NAME OF CLAIMANT, Christian Guhl

LAND OFFICE AT Crookston Minn

Approved: H H Dickmann, Register. [illegible], Receiver.

(12878—7,000.) 6—289

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HOMESTEAD, PRE-EMPTION, AND COMMUTATION PROOF.

TESTIMONY OF WITNESS.

(The testimony of two witnesses, taken separately, in addition to the testimony of claimant, is required in each case.)
(The testimony of witnesses must be taken at the same time and place and before the same officer as claimant's final affidavit.)
The answers must be full and complete to each and every question asked, and officers taking testimony will be expected to make no mistakes in dates, description of land, or otherwise.

Question 1.—What is your true name (christian and surname), given in full, your age, residence, and present post-office address? (Give description of land on which you reside, quarter-section, township, and range.)

Answer. John W. Galloway, age 45 years
Fosston Polk Co Minn
Lots 3 & 4 Sec NW¼ sec 2 Twp 147-40

Ques. 2.—What is your present occupation, and where and by whom have you been employed since Sept. 83, the date of claimant's alleged settlement on said tract?

Ans. Been employed on the above described tract farming

Ques. 3.—Are you related to claimant or in any way interested in this claim, or are you connected with him in business of any kind?

Ans. No

Ques. 4.—How far from the residence of claimant, on said tract, do you reside, and how long have you lived there?

Ans. about 2 miles - have lived there 5 years

Ques. 5.—Give the names and residences of two or more persons living nearer to the claimant of this tract than yourself. If none are nearer than you, give the names of two or more next nearest, and state the land on which they reside.

Ans. Louis Peterson W½ SW¼ sec 14-147-40
Martin Tangen N½ SW¼ sec 14-147-40

Ques. 6.—How long have you known Christian Guhl, the claimant, for whom you appear as a witness, where has he been living since you first knew him up to the present time, and is he the identical person he represents himself to be?

Ans. over 5 years. he has lived on this tract since March 1884

Ques. 7.—Are you well acquainted with the land embraced in this claim? Give correct description thereof; also state the extent of your knowledge, and how you know what you affirm.

Ans. Yes I am S½ SE¼ sec 14 & W½ SW¼ sec 13 Twp 147 R 40

Ques. 8.—How often have you been on this tract of land since claimant's alleged settlement thereon, at what time or times, and when did you last see him on the land?

Ans. Several times each and every year saw him there last week

Ques. 9.—Is said tract within the limits of an incorporated town or selected site of a city or town, or used in any way for trade or business?

Ans. No

Ques. 10.—State specifically the character of this land—whether it is timber, prairie, grazing, farming, coal, or mineral land.

Ans. Brush and timber - valuable for agriculture purposes only

Ques. 11.—Are there any indications of coal, minerals, or salines on this land?

Ans. No

Ques. 12.—Is it within any stock range or fence or other inclosure? If so, give the names of the parties owning or in any manner controlling such inclosure or range.

Ans. No

Ques. 13.—If the land is timber land, state whether the timber, or any portion thereof, and what portion, if any, has been cut or removed, and by whom?

Ans. Not any has been cut or removed

Ques. 14.—What is this land used for, and who (if any one) besides the claimant is in any manner interested in or uses or controls the land or claims the timber thereon?

Ans. Used for farming and residence by claimant and family only

Ques. 15.—What has been claimant's occupation since you first knew him, and where has he been employed, and by whom?

Ans. He has been employed on this claim farming

Ques. 16.—Has he had any other living or boarding place than on this land during the existence of his present claim? If so, state where he has been living or stopping.

Ans. No

Ques.17.—Does claimant's family reside on said land? When did they move thereon? How long have they lived there, and do they still reside thereon? If not, where do they reside?

Ans. Yes They moved onto the land in March 1884

Ques. 18.—Has claimant's family been absent from said land since moving thereon? If so, state how often, how long each time, and the cause of said absence or absences.

Ans. No

Ques. 19.—State in full and in detail all the facts within your knowledge as to claimant's actual residence upon this claim; when and how often you have seen him upon the land; what were the evidences that he actually lived on the tract; how long he has lived there, and whether he lives there now.

Ans. I have been to his house often and at all seasons of the year and always saw him and his family reside there- and saw his stock and farm implements on the place and how saw him and saw the crop and heard from personal knowledge has lived there continuously since March 1884 and lives there now.

Ques. 20.—If claimant has been absent from said land since his alleged settlement, state fully how often, when, how long each time, and for what purpose.

Ans. So he has not been absent.

Ques. 21.—State in detail the character of the improvements; what they consist of, and when they were made; the value of each distinct improvement, fully describing the same; also whether they were made by the claimant or by some other person.

Ans. Log house $100 Log stable 14 + 24 ft $50 About 6 ames broken $90 - about 30 ames fenced for pasture $50. 1 well $15. some ditching $25. Total $330. all of these improvements been made by claimant since date of settlement

Ques. 22.—Give the size, construction, and material of claimant's house on said tract, and also state whether the same is habitable during all seasons of the year.

Ans. Log house 16 + 24 ft 1 story high. sod roof 1 door - 3 windows and is habitable at all seasons of the year

Ques. 23.—What is this land worth, and was it ever offered for sale?

Ans. About $5.00 pr ame and has not been offered for sale to my knowledge

Ques. 24.—When did claimant commence living upon this land?

Ans. On on or about March 11th 1884

Ques. 25.—How much of said land has been broken, how much plowed since being broken, and how much put into crop each season? State kind of crops raised, their value, and number of seasons crops were raised.

Ans. About 6 ames under cultivation He has raised crops 5 seasons. Oats - Corn & vegetables - Cant say how much each season.

Ques. 26.—Is said land in crops this season, or has it been prepared for cropping the coming season?

Ans. About 6 ames is ready for cropping

Ques. 27.—Do you believe that claimant intends to continue his residence on this land after making final proof, or does he intend to remove therefrom?

Ans. Yes. I believe he will continue to reside thereon

Ques. 28.—Does claimant, with his family, reside on said land at the present time? You will explain how you know he has resided there, as you have heretofore stated.

Ans. Yes - I know because I have seen him reside there and seen him raise crops there the last 5 seasons and know he could not possible have resided elsewhere without my knowledge

John W. Galloway

[Signature of witness.]

U. S. LAND OFFICE, Crookston Minn.

December 7, 1888.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that John W. Galloway personally appeared before me; that he is a credible witness, and ~~is personally known to me (or~~ has been satisfactorily identified before me by O. C. Christianson), and that each question in the foregoing deposition was orally propounded to the said John W. Galloway and the foregoing answers severally given by him thereto before he signed the same and after being sworn according to law; that I have called his attention to the laws and penalties against false swearing; and that the foregoing deposition was sworn to and subscribed before me this 7 day of December, A. D. 1888

H. H. Dickinson

Register (~~or Receiver~~).

SPECIAL CERTIFICATE.

(To be used in *all cases* when proof is made before a clerk of court or judge of probate.)

} *ss:*

I, ____ in and for ____, do hereby certify that the claimant ____ and his witnesses ____, ____ in this proof were identified by ____ to be the identical persons named in the published notice herein.

That before proceeding to take the proof and testimony I read to the claimant and to each of the witnesses Section 5392 of the Revised Statutes of the United States and explained to each of them the import and meaning thereof.

That each of the printed questions in the testimony was read to said claimant and to each of said witnesses, and their respective answers thereto were by me reduced to writing and read to each respectively, and was there and then by them subscribed and sworn to before me.

That said proof and affidavits were taken and made between the hours of eight A. M. and six o'clock P. M. on the ____ day of ____, 188 , at my office at ____, in said ____.

That no protest or objection of any kind against said proof has been made or filed in my office by any person.

Given under my hand and official seal this ____ day of ____, 188 .

____

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We hereby certify that the within and foregoing testimony of claimant and witnesses has been carefully examined by us before transmittal to the General Land Office.

H. H. Dickinson

Register.

Receiver.

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TESTIMONY OF WITNESS.

Pre. D. S. No. ____ *Cash No.* ____

Orig. Hd. No. 2622 *F. C. No.* 12225

NAME OF CLAIMANT,

Christian Eide

LAND OFFICE AT

Crookston, Minn.

Approved:

H. H. Dickinson, *Register.*

____, *Receiver.*

(1879—53,500.) 6—439 o

HOMESTEAD, PRE-EMPTION, AND COMMUTATION PROOF.

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Answer. Jon Bruun Age 31 years, N.E. 1/4 of N.W. 1/4 Sec 23. Town 147 — Range 40 Polk Co Minn.

Ques. 2.—What is your present occupation, and where and by whom have you been employed since ....., the date of claimant's alleged settlement on said tract?

Ans. Have been employed on the above tract farming

Ques. 3.—Are you related to claimant or in any way interested in this claim, or are you connected with him in business of any kind?

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Ans. Louis Peterson W½ S.W. 1/4 sec 14 — 147 — 40

Martin Langen W½ S W 1/4 sec 14 — 147 — 40.

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Ans. About 5 years, he has lived on this land since March 1884

Ques. 7.—Are you well acquainted with the land embraced in this claim? Give correct description thereof; also state the extent of your knowledge, and how you know what you affirm.

Ans. Yes I am — S½ S.E. 1/4 sec 14 — T. 147 R. 40 and the W½ S.W. 1/4 sec 13 Town 147 Range 40. I see the land every day

Ques. 8.—How often have you been on this tract of land since claimant's alleged settlement thereon, at what time or times, and when did you last see him on the land?

Ans. About 100 times every year, saw him there Dec. 1st 1888

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Ans. No

Ques. 13.—If the land is timber land, state whether the timber, or any portion thereof, and what portion, if any, has been cut or removed, and by whom?

Ans. There has been none cut or removed.

Ques. 14.—What is this land used for, and who (if any one) besides the claimant is in any manner interested in or uses or controls the land or claims the timber thereon?

Ans. Used for farming and residence of claimant and family only—

Ques. 15.—What has been claimant's occupation since you first knew him, and where has he been employed, and by whom?

Ans. He has been employed on his claim farming

Ques. 16.—Has he had any other living or boarding place than on this land during the existence of his present claim? If so, state where he has been living or stopping.

Ans. No.

Ques. 17.—Does claimant's family reside on said land? When did they move thereon? How long have they lived there, and do they still reside thereon? If not, where do they reside?

Ans. Yes. They moved on there the first part of March 1884

Ques. 18.—Has claimant's family been absent from said land since moving thereon? If so, state how often, how long each time, and the cause of said absence or absences.

Ans. No.

Ques. 19.—State in full and in detail all the facts within your knowledge as to claimant's actual residence upon this claim; when and how often you have seen him upon the land; what were the evidences that he actually lived on the tract; how long he has lived there, and whether he lives there now.

Ans. I have been to his place about 100 times a year. He and his family have always lived there, have seen him employed in cultivating his land, have seen his buildings and improvements and know that he and family lives there now and have lived there continuously since March 1884.

Ques. 20.—If claimant has been absent from said land since his alleged settlement, state fully how often, when, how long each time, and for what purpose.

Ans. He was absent threshing in the fall of 1885 for about six weeks, but his family lived on the claim in the meantime.

Ques. 21.—State in detail the character of the improvements; what they consist of, and when they were made; the value of each distinct improvement, fully describing the same; also whether they were made by the claimant or by some other person.

Ans. Log house worth $100.00 Log stable 14 x 24 ft worth about $50.00 About 6 acres broke worth $90.00 About 20 acres worth $50.00 1 well worth $15.00 ditching $25.00 Total $330.00 all of which was made by claimant since date of settlement.

Ques. 22.—Give the size, construction, and material of claimant's house on said tract, and also state whether the same is habitable during all seasons of the year.

Ans. Log house 16 x 24 ft with sod roof, has one door and 3 windows and is habitable all seasons of the year.

Ques. 23.—What is this land worth, and was it ever offered for sale?

Ans. About $5.00 per acre has not been offered for sale to my knowledge.

Ques. 24.—When did claimant commence living upon this land?

Ans. The first part of March 1884.

Ques. 25.—How much of said land has been broken, how much plowed since being broken, and how much put into crop each season? State kind of crops raised, their value, and number of seasons crops were raised.

Ans. about six acres have under cultivation. He has raised crops 5 seasons, oats, corn and vegetables, cannot give amount raised each season

Ques. 26.—Is said land in crops this season, or has it been prepared for cropping the coming season?

Ans. 6 acres are ready for crop.

Ques. 27.—Do you believe that claimant intends to continue his residence on this land after making final proof, or does he intend to remove therefrom?

Ans. Yes. I believe he will continue to reside there.

Ques. 28.—Does claimant, with his family, reside on said land at the present time? You will explain how you know he has resided there, as you have heretofore stated.

Ans. Yes. I know as I have been on the place, seen him reside there and cultivate and improve his land, raise crops every year, and he could not be absent without my knowledge.

Isaac Bruce

[Signature of witness.]

U. S. LAND OFFICE, Crookston Minn

December 7, 1888

I HEREBY CERTIFY that Iver Brun personally appeared before me; that he is a credible witness, and ~~is personally known to me~~ (or has been satisfactorily identified before me by O C Christiansen), and that each question in the foregoing deposition was orally propounded to the said Iver Brun and the foregoing answers severally given by him thereto before he signed the same and after being sworn according to law; that I have called his attention to the laws and penalties against false swearing; and that the foregoing deposition was sworn to and subscribed before me this 7 day of December, A. D. 1888

H H Dickmann
Register (or ~~Receiver~~).

SPECIAL CERTIFICATE.

(To be used in *all cases* when proof is made before a clerk of court or judge of probate.)

..... } *ss:*
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I, ... in and for ....., do hereby certify that the claimant ..... and his witnesses ....., ... in this proof were identified by ..... to be the identical persons named in the published notice herein.

That before proceeding to take the proof and testimony I read to the claimant and to each of the witnesses Section 5392 of the Revised Statutes of the United States and explained to each of them the import and meaning thereof.

That each of the printed questions in the testimony was read to said claimant and to each of said witnesses, and their respective answers thereto were by me reduced to writing and read to each respectively, and was there and then by them subscribed and sworn to before me.

That said proof and affidavits were taken and made between the hours of eight A. M. and six o'clock P. M. on the ..... day of ....., 188 , at my office at ....., in said .....

That no protest or objection of any kind against said proof has been made or filed in my office by any person.

Given under my hand and official seal this ..... day of ....., 188 .

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We hereby certify that the within and foregoing testimony of claimant and witnesses has been carefully examined by us before transmittal to the General Land Office.

H H Dickmann
Register.

[signature]
Receiver.

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TESTIMONY OF WITNESS.

Pre. D. S. No. ..... *Cash No.* .....

Orig. Hd. No. 9690 *F. C. No.* 5228

NAME OF CLAIMANT,

Christian Guhl

LAND OFFICE AT

Crookston, Minn

Approved:

H H Dickmann, *Register.*

[signature], *Receiver.*

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Declaration of Intention and Clerk's Certificate. Chronicle Print, Crookston, Minn.

United States of America, } ss.
STATE OF MINNESOTA.

District Court,
County of Polk

Christian Gubl personally appeared before the subscriber, the Clerk of the District Court of the Eleventh Judicial District for said State of Minnesota, being a Court of Record, and made oath that he was born in Germany on and about the year eighteen hundred and fifty six that he emigrated to the United States, and landed at the port of Sheboygan on or about the month of October in the year eighteen hundred and Seventy three that it is bona fide his intention to become a Citizen of the United States, and to renounce forever all allegiance and fidelity to any foreign Prince, Potentate, State or Sovereignty whatever, and particularly to the Emperor of Germany whereof he is a subject.

Subscribed and sworn to this 21st day of September A. D. 1883

Thos. Shapleigh Clerk.

Signed Christian Gubl

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,
STATE OF MINNESOTA, } ss.
County of Polk

I, Thos. Shapleigh *Clerk of the District Court of the* Eleventh *Judicial District for the State of Minnesota, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a copy of a Record now in my office.*

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Seal of the said District Court, this 21st *day of* September *1883,*

Thos. Shapleigh
Clerk.

DECLARATION OF INTENTION

of

To become a Citizen of the United States.

CERTIFIED COPY.

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HOMESTEAD.

APPLICATION No. 7690

Land Office at Crookston Minn
September 21th, 1883.

I, Christian Guhl, of Polk Co Minnesota, do hereby apply to enter, under Section 2289, Revised Statutes of the United States, the S½ of S.E.¼ of Sec 14 W½ of S.W.¼ of Section 13, in Township 147 of Range 40, containing 160 acres.

Christian Guhl

Land Office at Crookston Minn
Sept 21st, 1883

I, John Rood, REGISTER OF THE LAND OFFICE, do hereby certify that the above application is for Surveyed Lands of the class which the applicant is legally entitled to enter under Section 2289, Revised Statutes of the United States, and that there is no prior valid adverse right to the same.

John Rood
Register.

[10,258—100 M.]

No 9690

HOMESTEAD APPLICATION.

Christian Guhl

Crookston, Minn.

Sept 21st 1883

Sect. 14. 13 Town. 147, Range 40

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HOMESTEAD.

[AFFIDAVIT.]

Land Office at Crookston Minn

September 21st, 1883.

I, Christian Guhl, of Polk Co Minn

having filed my application, No. 9690, for an entry under Section No. 2289, Revised Statutes of the United States, do solemnly swear that I am the Head of a Family and have declared my intention to become a Citizen of the United States

that said application, No. 9690, is made for the purpose of actual settlement and cultivation; that said entry is made for my own exclusive benefit, and not directly or indirectly for the benefit or use of any other person or persons whomsoever; and that I have not heretofore had the benefit of the homestead laws.

Christian Guhl

Sworn to and subscribed this 21st day of Sept 1883, before

John Rausch

Register of the Land Office.

NOTE.—If this affidavit be acknowledged before the Clerk of the Court, as provided for by Sec. 2294, U. S. Revised Statutes, the Homestead party must expressly state herein that he or some member of his family is residing upon the land applied for, and that *bona fide* improvement and settlement have been made. He must also state why he is unable to appear at the Land Office.

☞ See note, which Clerks of the Courts and Registers and Receivers will read and EXPLAIN THOROUGHLY to persons making application for lands where the affidavit is made before either of them. (See directions to Land Officers on Duplicate Receipt.)

Timber land embraced in a homestead, or other entry not consummated, may be cleared in order to cultivate the land and improve the premises, *but for no other purpose*. If, after clearing the land for cultivation, there remains more timber than is required for improvement, there is no objection to the settler disposing of the same. But the question whether the land is being cleared of its timber *for legitimate purposes* is a question *of fact* which is liable to be raised at any time. If the timber is cut and removed *for any other purpose* it will subject the entry to cancellation, and the person who cut it will be liable to civil suit for recovery of the value of said timber, *and also to criminal prosecution* under Section 2461 of the Revised Statutes.

ELECTRO'S. [10,744—44,000.]

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RECEIVER'S RECEIPT, No. 9690 APPLICATION, No. 9690

HOMESTEAD.

Receiver's Office, Crookston Minn
Sept 21st, 1883.

Received of Christian Guhl the sum

of Fourteen dollars ——— cents;

being the amount of fee and compensation of Register and Receiver for the

entry of S½ SE¼ Sec 14 and
W½ SW¼

of Section 13 in

Township 147 N of Range 46 W, under

Section No. 2290, Revised Statutes of the United States.

O C Slotten
Receiver.

$14.00

NOTE.—It is required of the homestead settler that he shall reside upon and cultivate the land embraced in his homestead entry for a period of five years from the time of filing the affidavit, being also the date of entry. An abandonment of the land for more than six months works a forfeiture of the claim. Further, within two years from the expiration of the said five years he must file proof of his actual settlement and cultivation, failing to do which, his entry will be canceled. If the settler does not wish to remain five years on his tract, he can, at any time after six months, pay for it with cash or land warrants, upon making proof of settlement and cultivation from date of filing affidavit to the time of payment.

ELECTRO'S. [10,263—75 M.]

☞ See note in red ink, which Registers and Receivers will read and EXPLAIN THOROUGHLY to persons making application for lands where the affidavit is made before either of them.

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